

BY

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H.C.R. NO.

178

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The Texas Supreme Court has recently ruled in the case of Valmont Plantations, et al. vs. The State of Texas, that the Spanish and Mexican grants did not have appurtenant rights in the absence of specific grants of irrigation water; and

WHEREAS, The Water Rights Commission has, as a result of this decision, refused to grant permits to several farmers along the lower Rio Grande River who have for many years rebed on water from the Rio Grande River to raise their crops; and

WHEREAS, Some new solution is desirable in the allocation of water from the Rio Grande to these areas which have been suddenly deprived of water: now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the 62nd Legislature, the Senate concurring, That an interim committee of the Legislature be created known as the Rio Grande River Water Study and that the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each be authorized to appoint three members of the Senate and the House respectively and each appoint two citizen members to study the allocation of water on the lower Rio Grande River; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the members shall select a chairman of the Committee by majority vote, and the Committee shall meet at such times and places as may be necessary and that the Water Rights Commission and the Texas Legislative Council be requested to cooperate with the committee in the conduct of the study; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That both legislative and public members of the Committee shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in carrying out the purposes and duties of this Resolution in equal proportions from the Expense Fund of the

House and the Contingent Expense Fund of the Senate; other necessary expenses for the operation of the Committee shall also be paid from these funds of the House and Senate equally; and further that the Committee shall prepare a budget for the operating expenses of the Committee, which shall be submitted to the Administration Committee of the Senate and the House Administration Committee, and no expenditures shall be made until the budget has been approved; prior approval of nonbudgeted expenditures, if any, must also be obtained from the Administration Committee of the Senate and the House Administration Committee; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Committee shall make its complete report, including findings, recommendations, and drafts of any proposed legislation, to the 63rd Legislature at its regular session in January 1973, and that five copies of the completed study shall be filed in the Legislative Reference Library, and five copies filed in the office of the Texas Legislative Council. Following official distribution of the committee report, all remaining copies shall be deposited with the Legislative Reference Librarian.

(For favorable and unfavorable reports on bills and resolutions, where no committee amendments are recommended.)

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Date 5/27/71

HON. G. F. (GUS) MUTSCHER

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir:

We, your Committee on Resolutions and Internal Administration, to whom was referred HCR No. 178, have had the same under consideration

and beg to report back with recommendation that it

~~do~~ pass, and be NOT printed

The Bill was reported from Committee by the following vote:

Unanimous voice vote

Majority voice vote

Vote of \_\_\_\_\_ ayes and \_\_\_\_\_ nays.

[Signature]  
Chairman.

(When this form is used for a favorable report on a general bill the words "do not" are marked out. If the bill is a local bill the word "not" should be inserted before the word "printed." When used for an unfavorable report the word "do" is marked out, the comma after "pass" is changed to a period, and the remaining words also marked out.

When this form is used for a simple or concurrent resolution the comma after "pass" should be changed to a period and the remaining words stricken out because resolutions are printed in the Journal when first introduced.)

H.C.R. NO. 178

BY Carrillo

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Creating an interim committee known as the Rio Grande River  
Water Study Committee.

READ 1st TIME  
AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
*Resolutions & Interim  
Activities*

DATE

READ AND ADOPTED

CHIEF CLERK  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 26 1971

*Dorothy Hallman*  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

MAY 27 1971

REPORTED FAVORABLY SENT TO THE SPEAKER

MAY 31 1971

LAID ON THE  
TABLE SUBJECT TO CALL

*Dorothy Hallman*  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives